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1. EMBASSY RECEIVED APRIL 29 ANSWERS FROM HUNGARIAN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE TO QUESTIONS TRANSMITTED REF A.

2. CATTLE IMPORTS FROM THE UNITED STATES

A.	1973	1974	1975
HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN HEIFER FOR BREEDING	1929	3002	3757
HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN BULL FOR BREEDING	6	16	13
HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN DOSE OF SEMEN	3000	22,220	69,245
HEREFORD HEIFER FOR BREEDING	950	2027	-
HEREFORD BULL FOR BREEDING	-	80	20

B. AND C.
APPROXIMATELY 65 PERCENT OF ALL IMPORTED BREEDING HEIFERS WERE 6-20 MONTH-OLD COMMERCIAL, NON-REGISTERED VIRGIN AND PREGNANT ANIMALS, WHILE THE OTHER SIMILARLY VIRGIN AND PREGNANT HEIFERS HAD REGISTERED ANCESTORS.
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THE IMPORTED HOLSTEIN BULL HAD EXCLUSIVELY REGISTERED

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SIRES AND DAMS; THESE SIRES WERE PROVEN WITH PLUS PD FOR
MILK; THE AVERAGE MILK PRODUCTION OF THESE DAMS WAS
WELL OVER 7000 KG AND THE AVERAGE MILKFAT HIGHER
THAN 3.5 PERCENT. THE IMPORTED HEREFOD BULLS WERE ALSO
REGISTERED AND CAME FROM ADMITTEDLY GOOD HERDS.

D. AND E.
IN ENCLOSURE PLEASE FIND A COPY OF THE LETTER
WRITTEN TO MR. LANGRIDGE CONCERNING THE HEALTH REQUIRE-
MENTS FOR IMPORTED ANIMALS. WE ARE STILL INTERESTED
IN BUYING ANIMALS FOR BREEDING -- NATURALLY IF THE
QUALITY IS ADEQUATE -- BUT WE EXPECT TO REDUCE THE
IMPORT OF FEMALE ANIMALS FOR BREEDING. THERE ARE POSSI-
BILITIES TO IMPORT GOOD QUALITY ANIMALS FOR BREEDING
(HEIFERS BULLS AS WELL AS SEMEN) FROM EUROPEAN COUNTRIES
BECAUSE OF LOWER PRICES.

F.
THE MAIN PROBLEM CONCERNING IMPORT OF ANIMALS IS
HEALTH. WE WOULD LIKE TO BUY CAREFULLY SELECTED ANIMALS
ORIGINATING FROM WELL-KNOWN BREEDING STOCKS.

EXPORTS
A. - G.
SO FAR WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY EXPORTS TO THE STATES.
WE HAVE INITIATED AGAIN THE EXPORT OF SYMMENTAL-TYPE
HUNGARIAN RED AND WHITE BULLS FRO BREEDING AND THEIR SEMEN
AS WELL, BECAUSE THERE IS AN INTEREST CONCERNING THIS TYPE
OF ANIMAL IN THE STATES. IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO EXAMINE
THE POSSIBILITY OF HUNGARIAN EXPORT OF BREEDING ANIMALS
TO THE STATES ON THE SAME EXPORT BASE WHICH U.S. HAS
ALREADY ESTABLISHED WITH FRG, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND, ETC.
DISCUSSIONS WENT ON ABOUT THIS TOPIC BETWEEN THE
HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN ASSN. OF AMERICA AND THE NATIONAL
INSPECTORATE OF ANIMAL BREEDING, BUDAPEST AS WELL AS
BETWEEN MR. LANGRIDGE AND DR. DENES.

3. COPIES OF REPLY POUCHED TO USDA/STAN BROWN AND
AGATT. EMBASSY DID NOT RECEIVE ENCLOSURE (PARA 2.D) BUT
WILL OBTAIN AND FORWARD. ASSUME USDA CAN OBTAIN ORIGINAL
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FROM LANGRIDGE.
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